

25 January 1985

Dr. David Humphrey, Archivist
Lyndon B. Johnson Library
2313 Red River Street
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dr. Humphrey:

In our letter to you of 21 November 1980, we granted Dr. Wayne Thompson, Office of Air Force History, access to CIA-originated documents at the Johnson Library that are classified Top Secret or below.

In a letter of 17 January 1985 (copy attached), Mr. Jacob Neufeld, Chief, Special Histories Branch, Office of Air Force History, notes that Dr. Thompson, having been granted additional clearances, requests increased access to CIA documents at the Johnson Library. If the Johnson Library verifies Dr. Thompson's additional clearances from the Air Force, we are glad to authorize his access to CIA material at the level of his current clearances or lower that is directly pertinent to his official study of the air war in Vietnam. Mr. Neufeld's letter indicates that you can verify Dr. Thompson's additional clearances with the Air Force Personnel Security Division (AFIS/INSB), Pentagon BD951, telephone (202) 697-1862.

We'll also enclose a copy of our "CIA Records Access Policy." As its third paragraph notes, Dr. Thompson is free to take notes and to have copies made of CIA documents, so long as the Johnson Library collects and sends these notes and copies to this office. After CIA review, we shall send Dr. Thompson the documents and notes released, and notify you and him of any material that cannot be released.

We'll send copies of this letter to Mr. Neufeld at the Office of Air Force History, and to Dr. James E. O'Neill, Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries.

With many thanks for your help,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ J. Kenneth McDonald

J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

Enclosures

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Dr. J. Kenneth McDonald
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Dear Dr. McDonald:

Since receiving CIA authorization to review TOP
SECRET documents at the Lyndon Baines Johnson
Library, Dr. Wayne W. Thompson [redacted] has
been given additional clearances. Please increase
his access to CIA documents at the library.

Dr. Thompson's clearances can be verified by the
Air Force Personnel Security Division (AFIS/INSB),
Pentagon BD951, 697-1862.

As a full-time staff historian in this branch,
Dr. Thompson is writing the Air Force's official
history of the air war against North Vietnam. He
can be reached at 767-5201.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Neufeld", is written over the typed name and title.

JACOB NEUFELD
Chief, Special Histories Branch
Office of Air Force History